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AMERICA

A Bibliography of the White Mountains. By Allen H. Bent. vii and 174 pp., illustrations and index. Published for the Appalachian Mountain Club by the Houghton Mifflin Company, Boston, 1911. 8½ x 6.

All lovers of the White Mountains will welcome this book. Its pages show that at least 285 books and pamphlets have had something to say about the White Mountains. It also records nearly 300 magazine articles, a third of which have appeared in *Appalachia*; and there are also recorded about 150 poems, fifty newspapers that had been printed in White Mountain towns, thirty-six maps, and a list of early engravings. Among the producers of literature relating to the White Mountains were Longfellow, Whittier, Hawthorne, Parkman, Thoreau and Thomas Starr King. The Appalachian Mountain Club is to be congratulated on this suggestive and helpful work. It gives the guidance to the literature of the White Mountains that has long been needed.

AFRICA

A Bibliography of Sierra Leone. With an Introductory Essay on the Origin, Character and Peoples of the Colony. By Harry Charles Lukach, M.A. 144 pp., map, appendix and index. Clarendon Press, Oxford, 1910. \$2.90. 9½ x 6.

This list of books solely devoted to Sierra Leone is practically exhaustive though doubtless many articles in the journals of learned societies and magazines are not here recorded. The "Observations of William Finch, Merchant, taken out of his large Journall" being Finch's remembrances of his visit to that country in 1607 is printed in full because it is the most complete of the early accounts of Sierra Leone. In his introductory essay the author says: "The prosperity of Sierra Leone depends and always will depend on agriculture, and the best system of training for the people is therefore one which will teach them to extract the full value from the soil."

L'Angleterre en Afrique. Capitaine E. de Renty. 266 pp. and 9 maps. Henri Charles-Lavauzelle, Paris, 1911. 4 Fr. 9 x 5½.

The author's three volumes on "Les Chemins de Fer Coloniaux" made him well known as a careful writer. In this small book he gives the essential features of the history and development of each of the British African colonies, but the treatment is too concise to admit of a thorough exposition of the subject. The material development of each of the colonies receives most attention, but some of the most important phases of development which have occurred within the past two or three years are not indicated in the book.